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# **Canada Farm Cemetery**

The grave of Sydney Allcock, a WW1 gunner from Carrickfergus, recorded in today's Roll, is in Canada Farm Cemetery.

The Cemetery is located 8.5 kilometres north-west of leper town centre. Canada Farm Cemetery took its name from a



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farmhouse used as a dressing station during the 1917 Allied offensive on this f

ront. Most of the burials are of men who died at the dressing station between June and October 1917. There are now 907 First World War burials in the cemetery. The cemetery was designed by Sir Reginald Blomfield.

Acknowledgments - CWGC, WW1 Cemeteries

# On this Day - October 19

#### 1914

Battles of Ypres 1914 begin. First of 3 costly battles centred on town. Flank attacks by both Allies & Germans failed to achieve breakthrough. Both sides settled into trench warfare that characterized rest of war on Western Front. Sir Henry Rawlinson is unable to occupy Menin.

Transfer of British army from the Aisne to Flanders is completed

First Indian units reach the Flanders front Battle of Warsaw ends

#### 1915

Ishtip (Serbia) taken by Bulgarian forces.
Russia and Italy declare war on Bulgaria.
Japan declares adherence to the Pact of London

#### 1917

Murman cruisers raid convoy in North Sea and sink British destroyers "Strongbow" and "Mary Rose" It is reported that 13 German Zeppelins have raided the East and North East of England and the city of London. A

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Larger type of Zeppelin this time and 5 were brought down. 36 killed people were killed and 55 injured.

#### 1918

Battle of Courtrai or Battle of Roulers or Second Battle of Belgium ends.

The Belgians occupy Zeebrugge and storm Bruges. The whole coast and west Flanders is liberated.

It is announced from Madrid that German submarines are ordered to return to their bases.

# 19th October 1918 Northern Whig Ulster Division Rank & File Fatality

Lance-Corporal Thomas Henry Bradshaw, 10/4319, 15th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, previously of the 10th Battalion Royal Irish Rifles. Died of wounds 1st October, 1918. Son of Thomas Henry and Catherine Bradshaw nee Devlin; Husband of Martha Bradshaw nee Hyles, of 25 Scott Street, Belfast. Deceased was 34 years of age and is buried in Ypres Reservoir Cemetery, Belgium.

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Rifleman Alexander Scott, 7840, 2nd Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, killed in action 6th June, 1918. Son of Alexander and the late Caroline Scott nee Higgin, step son of Margaret Scott nee Miller, of Tobergill Street; Husband of Catherine Scott nee McQuiston, of 20, Dundee Street, Belfast. Deceased was 26 years of age and is buried in Wulverghem-Lindenhoek Road Military Cemetery, Belgium.

#### 1941



German Army Group Centre defeated Soviet forces within the Vyazma pocket in Russia, and captured some 600,000 men, 1,000 tanks, and 4,000 artillery pieces.

#### 1943

2 LIR at Petacciato:

0115 H Coy move to area in rear of G Coy.

0130 Zero Hour. F & G Coys advance towards supported by Artillery barrage. Coy enter Old Town 5 minutes after barrage lifts at 0230hrs.

0500 Petacciato clear of enemy. E Coy in New Town.

# **Roll of Honour - October 19**

## Representing their comrades who died on this day

#### 1914

## +DUNNE, John

Royal Irish Regiment, 2nd Btn. Private. 7471. Died 19/10/1914. Age 40, the Battle of La Bassee. Born about 1874 in Dungannon. Son of Joseph and Rose Dunne. A coal miner in Fatfield, Sunderland. John Dunne enlisted in Hamilton, Lanarkshire. He went to France on 13/08/1914. Le Touret Memorial, Le Touret, Pas-de-Calais Fatfield Harraton WM

#### 1915

# +BOOTH, Thomas

Army Service Corps. A Supply Coy. Quartermaster Serjeant. S/15284. Died 19/10/1915. Age 37. Son of the late Robert Stephen Booth; husband of Jane Booth, of 167, Tennent St., Belfast. Carnmoney Cemetery

## +HENNESSEY, Jeremiah

RN. Chief Petty Officer. 101192. Died 19/10/1915. HMS Victory. Husband to Mrs. M. J. Hennessey, of 30, Carson St., Larne. Newcastle - Upon - Tyne (St. Andrew's and Jesmond) Cemetery, Northumberland

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Terlincthun War Cemetery was begun in June 1918 when the space available for service burials in the civil cemeteries of Boulogne and Wimereux was exhausted. There are 4,749 burials including 149 from World War Two. Thomas Darragh (See below), a Royal Inniskilling Fusilier, from Broughshane, rests here, having died of wounds in a nearby hospital.

# +LECKEY, A

Grenadier Guards, 2nd Btn. Private. 8192. Died 19/10/1915. Age 30. Son of George and Agnes Leckey of Belfast; husband of Catherine Leckey. Quatre-Vents Military Cemetery, Estree-Cauchy, France

#### 1916

#### +HALE, J H

Royal Irish Rifles, 15th Btn. Rifleman. 15/2823. Died 19/10/1916. Age 35. Husband of Annie Hale, of 38, Chief St., Belfast. Ration Farm (La Plus Douve) Annexe, Belgium

# +MONTGOMERY, Frederick Alexander

King's Own Scottish Borderers, 6th Btn. Second Lieutenant. Died 19/10/1916. Age 24. Son of Frederick Alexander and Jane Montgomery, of 8, Sandhurst Rd., Belfast. Thiepval Memorial, France

#### 1917

# +ALLCOCK, Sydney

Royal Garrison Artillery,19th Heavy Battery. Gunner. 8673. Died 19/10/1917 during the 3rd Ypres Campaign Battle of Passchendaele. Aged 29. Born Newport, Isle of Wight. He moved to Ireland with his family in the late 1800's. Lived Unity Street, Carrickfergus. Enlisted Carrickfergus. Son of Richard and Jessie Allcock, of Church View, Tuam, Co. Galway. He was well known around Carrickfergus and a member of the congregation at St Nicholas Church. News of his death in 1917 was reported with great sadness in the Carrickfergus Advertiser noting that "great loss is felt with at the death of Gunner S Allock... he was well known to many locally and will be sadly missed". He was an active member of the Albert Road Loyal Orange Lodge 553. Canada Farm Cemetery, Belgium. St Nicholas Church of Ireland memorial, Carrickfergus, WM

#### **+JOHNSTON**, Alexander

AB. SS War Clover. Died 19/10/1917. Age 16. Enemy action in the Mediteranean. Son of Mrs. Elizabeth Johnston (Holmes), Maple Cottage, Ballykeel, Islandmagee, and the late George Johnston.

#### +McGINLEY, A

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. 1st Btn. Private. 31045. Died 19/10/1917. Son of Mrs. A. McGinley, of 21, Bridge St, Londonderry. Duisans British Cemetery, Etrun, France

#### 1918

#### +CLINGAN, Edward

The King's (Liverpool Regiment), 4th Btn. Private. 99729. Died 19/10/1918. Age 19 years old. Son of the late William and Mary Clingan, of Belfast. Rocquigny-Equancourt Road British Cemetery, Manancourt, France

#### +DARRAGH, Thomas

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, 1st Btn. Private. 44434. Died 19/10/1918. Age 22. Lived in Ballymena and enlisted there. Served for a time with the Royal Irish Rifles (8920), and later with the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. Second youngest son John and Matilda Darragh. Thomas was born about 1896 in Ballymena. The family lived in Broughshane. Tom, like his father, was a labourer. He died of wounds at a base hospital near Boulogne. Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, Pas de Calais. Cookstown WM

## +SMYTH, R

Royal Irish Rifles. 12th Btn. Corporal. 18795. Died 19/10/1918. Age 21. Son of Robert Smyth, of Woodburn, Carrickfergus. Duhallow ADS Cemetery, Belgium

#### 1939

# +CLEMENTS, John McMillan

Royal Ulster Rifles. 1st Btn. Warrant Officer 3rd Class (PSM). 7008349. Died at sea on 19/10/1939, aged 38. Born in Belfast, the son of John and Agnes Jean Clements. Husband of Margaret Clements, of Belfast. Commemorated on the Brookwood Memorial, panel 14, column 3.

#### 1941

# +MALLETT, Jack

Royal Ulster Rifles. 1st Btn. Rifleman. 7011055. Died 19/04/1941. Age 34. Son of Jeremiah and Emma Mallett, of Londonderry. Londonderry City Cemetery

#### +SMITH, William Herbert Robertson

RAFVR. Flight Sergeant. 758003. Died 19/10/1941. Aged 20. 220 Sqdn. Son of Charles B. and Mary E. Smith, of Belfast. Runnymeade Memorial, Surrey. Knockbreda Parish WM. 502 (Ulster) Squadron WM, St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast

#### 1945

# +O'LEARY, Harry

RNSR. Rigger's Mate. R/SR 66035. Died 19/10/1945. Aged 26. HMS Barnstone (Z37). Died in a drowning accident on the Bar class boom defence vessel (Z37) in Plymouth. Royal Naval records list Harry as having 'Died On War Service'. Husband to Ellen O'Leary (née Logan), Belfast. Carnmoney Cemetery, Section HH, Grave 85.

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